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In re Application of:	)
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Filed: Concurrently Herewith	) Examiner: To be assigned
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For: FINANCIAL STATUS STORAGE SYSTEM	)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to an examination on the merits, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

IN THE TITLE

Please delete the title "Object-Based Numeric Analysis Engine" and insert therefor the title: --Financial Status Storage System--.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Specification, without prejudice or disclaimer, as indicated below:

--CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

The present application claims the priority of co-pending U.S. Patent Application No. 09/172,847, entitled "Object-Based Numeric-Analysis Engine" filed October 15, 1998. The entire disclosure and contents of the above-mentioned application is hereby incorporated by reference.--.